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Applicant(s) : Barangan et al.
Filed : July 11, 2001
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TC/A.U. : 2100/2121
Examiner : J.P. Hirl
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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of December 15, 2003 (Paper Number 6) please consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

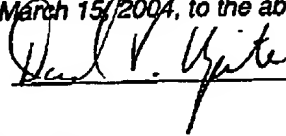
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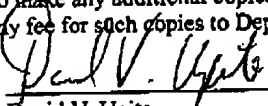
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2. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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